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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: A MULTIPLY TRANSFORMED KOJI MOLD AND A METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING A FLAVOR ENHANCER USING THE SAME  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and  
Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 25 pages, including 1 independent claim and 16 claims total.
2. Sequence Listing - 3 pages.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Kikkoman Corporation.
5. Copy of Deposit Receipt for Microorganism with English Translation thereof for Accession No. FERM BP-7478.
6. Copy of certified Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-064739, filed on March 9, 2000.

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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-064739, filed March 9, 2000.

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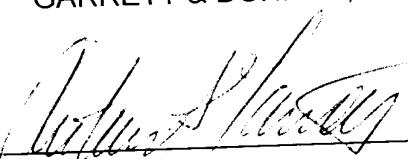
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